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REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 1-2, 20-21 and 29-30 have been amended. Claim 5-8, 11-19, 22-24, 28, 31-33 and 37-38 have been cancelled without prejudice. No new claims have been added. Therefore, claims 1-4, 9-10, 20-21, 25-27, 29-30 and 34-36 are presented for examination.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejection

Claims 1-4, 9-10, 20-21, 25-27, 29-30 and 34-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph.

Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner about the language used in the rejected claims. For example, claim 1 does not recite the term "couple" which the Examiner objects to on page 3 of the last Office Action, mailed 04-19-07. Similarly, the Examiner incorrectly asserts claim 2 using the term "simultaneously" (see Office Action, page 4). Support for the claimed matter in claim 1 is found throughout the Specification, such as on page 5, first paragraph, and page 7, first paragraph, of the Specification. Similarly, and specifically, support for the claimed matter in claim 2 is found on page 4, paragraph 1, of the Specification which provides a "display layout which substantially resembles and simulates the physical appearance of the electronic apparatus."

Nevertheless, for the sake of expediting issuance of this case, Applicants propose new amendments to the pending claims. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-4, 9-10, 20-21, 25-27, 29-30 and 34-36.

Claims 1, 20 and 29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

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Claims, 1, 20 and 29 have been amended to now recite “emulate the data as currently being displayed on the second access device and previously being displayed on the first access device” (emphasis added). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 20 and 29 and their dependent claims.

U.S.C. § 102 Rejection

Claims 1-4, 9-10, 20-21, 25-27, 29-30 and 34-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e), as being anticipated by Lehman, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,292,186 (“Lehman”).

Claim 1, as amended, recites:

A system comprising:
a plurality of access devices; and
a portable device capable of emulating the plurality of access devices, the portable device to
select a first access device from the plurality of access devices to be emulated at the portable device when the portable device is within a first wireless communication range of the first access device,
emulate the first access device, the emulating of the first access device including emulating data as displayed on the access device,
select a second access device from the plurality of access devices when the portable device is within a second wireless communication range of the second access device, and
emulate the second access device, the emulating of the second access device including seamlessly continuing to emulate the data as currently being displayed on the second access device and previously being displayed on the first access device.
(emphasis added)

Applicants respectfully submit that Lehman discloses that “MoDAL language permits the rapid development, rendering, and *modification of graphics user interfaces (GUI)*, such that *plural GUI instantiations of a widely used software applications can be respectively tailored to suit the needs of particular users, e.g., physically challenged users.*” (col. 3, ll. 53-58; emphasis provided).

Furthermore, Lehman’s witching between applications such as a calculator or

clock is not emulation. Emulation is not simply executing an application as in Lehman. For example, the Specification at page 4 provides an example of emulation as substantially resembling and simulating a physical appearance. In addition, Lehman discloses modifying GUIs of various applications for physically challenged users (presumably visually challenged users). Applicants submit that modifying GUIs for applications is not emulating an access device, as in claim 1.

In contrast, claim 1, recites "select a first access device from the plurality of access devices to be emulated at the portable device when the portable device is within a first wireless communication range of the first access device, emulate the first access device, the emulating of the first access device including emulating data as displayed on the access device, select a second access device from the plurality of access devices when the portable device is within a second wireless communication range of the second access device, and emulate the second access device, the emulating of the second access device including seamlessly continuing to emulate the data as- currently being displayed on the second access device and previously being displayed on the first access device (emphasis added). Lehman does not teach or reasonably suggest at least these features of claim 1. Accordingly, for at least the reasons stated above, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 1 and its dependent claims be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is hereby earnestly requested.

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Invitation for a Telephone Interview

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

Request for an Extension of Time

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) should one be necessary. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 to cover the necessary fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for such an extension.

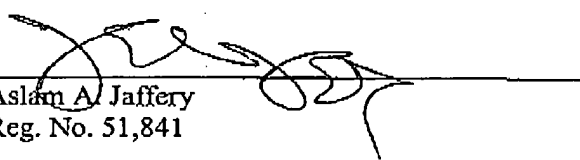
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